cancelled and that the preambles of claims 15 and 17 were amended as indicated by him.

- 2. The Examiner agreed to make the above amendments through an Examiner's Amendment. Applicants hereby affirm their consent for such amendments.
- 3. Attorney for Applicants would submit the Declaration by Ms. Karen Fearon under 37 C.F.R. 1.132. The Declaration is attached.

In view of the above, Applicants submit that the claims as amended fully satisfy the requirements of Title 35 of the U.S. Code, and respectfully request that the rejections thereunder be withdrawn and the claims be allowed.

If any additional time extensions are required, such time extensions are hereby requested. If any additional fees not submitted with this response are required, please take such fees from deposit account 12-2491.

Respectfully submitted,

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Declaration by Ms. Karen Fearon